## **Public Notice**

## **Berkshire County Retirement System**

## **Request for Proposals for Legal Services**

The **Berkshire County Retirement Board** ("Board") is requesting qualification statements from recognized law firms and individual attorneys within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts interested in providing legal services for matters involving the **Berkshire County Retirement System** ("System").

The purpose of this Request for Proposal ("RFP") is to allow the Board to select firms and / or individual attorneys qualified to provide legal services on an as needed basis in the following areas:

- Representation of the Board in administrative proceedings held in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 32 and Commonwealth of Massachusetts Regulations ("CMR") 840 CMR Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission;
- Litigation matters and other disputes involving matters related to M.G.L. Chapter 32 and 840 CMR Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission;
- Legal advice on matters pertaining to the Board's administration of the System, including, but not limited to, System membership, creditable service, regular compensation, disability retirements, domestic relations orders, investment management agreements, contracts, and related documents in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 32 of the General Laws and 840 CMR Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission.

The Board reserves the right to modify, amend or cancel the terms of the RFP at any time. All responses must be submitted in accordance with the specific terms of this RFP. No electronic responses may be submitted in response to this RFP.

## A request for proposal may be obtained by contacting:

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The date of release for this RFP is Monday, June 11, 2018. Proposal must be received at the Board prior to 3:00 p.m. EST on Thursday, July 10, 2018. Proposals will not be accepted after the closing date and time.